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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

David W. CANNELL et al.

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For: PROTECTION OF

KERATINOUS FIBERS USING

CERAMIDES AND/OR GLYCOCERAMIDES

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION AND ELECTION OF SPECIES REQUIREMENTS

A. Restriction Requirement

In the Office Action mailed September 19, 2001, the period of response extended to December 19, 2001, by the accompanying petition and fee, the Examiner required restriction between the following groups of claims:

Group I Claims 1-26 and 50-52, drawn to a composition and a multi-compartment kit comprising at least one compound chosen from ceramides and glycoceramides; at least one cationic polymer, and at least one amphoteric polymer, classified in class 424, subclass 70.11; and

Group II Claim 27-49, drawn to a process for protecting keratinous fibers from damage caused by chemical treatment, classified in class 424, subclass 70.11.

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